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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time — October 18 and 19, 2025

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 9am-5pm
Closed Saturday/Sunday/Holidays

Pastoral Staff

Pastor:

Rev. Caroli B. Shao, A.J.

Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Benjamin Koka, A.J.

Latin Mass Celebrant:

Rev. Bede Kotlinski, OSB

German Mass Celebrant:

Rev. S. Michael Franz (Ret.)

Parish Staff

Church Secretary:

Debbie Hemphill

Church Accountant:

Russ Nieling

Maintenance:

Athanase Bizige

Organist:

Joe Kolecki

Cantors:

Virginija Muliolis and Teagan Webb

Latin Schola Director:

Nathan Marinchick and Matthew Eccher

St. Vincent de Paul:

Maureen Easley



Mission Statement

Saint Stephen Parish, as guided by the Holy Spirit and empowered by the Sacraments, is sent forth to know, love and serve God. For the salvation of souls, we endeavor to evangelize the Gospel message through Christ-centered ministries and truthful witness. Our parish pledges fidelity to the Magisterium, the teaching authority of the Holy Catholic Church. We offer traditional, orthodox and reverent practice of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the edification of the faithful and for the making of saints. The Saint Stephen parish family seeks to actively build a culture of life and recognizes the dignity of all persons as children of God.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:15-4:45pm

Sunday: 9-9:30am (or by appointment)

Baptism

The baptism of infants and children under the age of seven is celebrated monthly.

Call the Parish Office to Register.

Marriage

Weddings should be arranged with the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick / Funerals

Contact the Parish Office to arrange.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Those wishing to become Catholic are encouraged to contact the Parish Office at 216-631-5633.

New Parishioners — Please contact the Parish Office to register.

English Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am

German Weekend Mass

1st Sunday of every month: 11:00am

Weekday, Holy Days & Holidays

See full schedule inside Bulletin

Adoration and Devotions

Holy Hour, Confession and Benediction — Wednesdays: 7:00pm

Rosary — Sundays: 9:00am

1st Friday Mass & Benediction: 6:30pm

1st Saturday Mass & Lecture: 9:30am

Metro Catholic Parish School

1910 West 54th Street

216-281-4044

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This Week's Church Services



MASS SCHEDULE

We welcome all Parishioners and Visitors to Mass at St. Stephen.

The Confession schedule is as follows—

- ➔ *Saturday: 4:15—4:45pm —Church—Confessional box*
- ➔ *Sunday: before 9:30am Mass—Church—Confessional box*

Please call the Parish Office to schedule a private Confession.

Saturday, October 18, 2025—Church

Vigil of the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Ali Lipinski

Sunday, October 19, 2025—Church

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Sandra Schmidt

11:00 AM The Strifler Family

Monday, October 20, 2025—Rectory Chapel

Weekday

6:30 PM † Jenny Floor

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

Weekday

6:45 AM Latin Mass (Church) †† Robert and Coletta Spuhler

6:30 PM (Rectory Chapel) Intentions of the Sherman Family

Wednesday, October 22, 2025—Church

Weekday

6:30 PM † Sean Hayek

7:00-8:00 PM Confession, Holy Hour, Benediction

Thursday, October 23, 2025—Church

Weekday

6:30 PM Colin Dinasky

Friday, October 24, 2025—Rectory Chapel

Weekday

6:30 PM † Seth Cronin

Saturday, October 25, 2025—Church

Vigil of the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM †† Elizabeth and Lawrence Pearce

Sunday, October 26, 2025—Church

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Carolyn Salvatore

11:00 AM Intentions of the Sherman Family

Contact the Parish Office at 216-631-5633 to schedule a Mass intention. The customary stipend (offering) is \$10.00.



CELEBRANT & LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 18, 2025 — OCTOBER 19, 2025

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
Celebrant:	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Januarius	Fr. Caroli
Lector:	Russ Nieling	Elaine Amondo	Matt Minarik
EM:	Jean Gandee		Dianna Hosta
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 25, 2025 — OCTOBER 26, 2025

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
Celebrant:	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli
Lector:	Russ Nieling	Lou Ockunzzi	Sarah Elena
EM:	Jean Gandee		Dianna Hosta
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

All Sundays at 9:30am & Holy Days: Rev. Bede Kotlinski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 19, 2025

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8
 Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

Daily readings at <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Marie Adamo	Kiki Kelley	Tom O'Donnell
Berly Blankenship	Kai Kirk	Christopher A. Park
Thomas John Cables	Joe Kolecki	Paul
Ruth Casto	Kosmerl Family	Greg Ray and Family
Rosemary Diemer	Karen Kranstueber	Herb Rielinger
Martin Eland	Fr. Kropac	Herb Rodriguez
Karen Fisher	Sr. Jane Lab	Rick Salvatore
Kyoko Fry	Justin Latchney	Irene Schroeder
Harry Tom Graef	Sr. Linda	Maureen Sciarino
Robert Gunn	Ruth Martin	Michael Sherman
Susan Hatta	Maureen Masterson	Glenn Sneed
Tadaaki Hatta	Katie McClain	Sharon Sneed
Raymond Hawley	Rob McClain	Wayne Sneed
Katharina Hayne	Abbie McCoy	Evelyn Trucks
Debi Hess	Rita McDonald	Fr. Albert Veigas
Agnes Hogan	Steve McElroy	E. K. Wade
Horie Family	Victoria Miller	Noel Walters
Dianna Hosta	Kazuyuki Nagashima	Devon Zink
Russell Kamps	Jessie Noelker	

Brother Kevin Cush—Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life
 Sean Homcy—Vocation to Priesthood
 Abbé Nicholas Johanni—Vocation to Priesthood
 Sister Rose-Marie (Rose Johanni) of the Passion of the Royal Heart,
 Burning Furnace of Mercy
 First Responder—Lt. Timothy Maffo-Judd

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REFLECTION

Battles are truly won when the cause of the battle is just. If we persevere, even in the worst of times, and when all we do is for the greater Glory of God, we prevail. The Israelites are winning the battle not because they have good soldiers, but because behind the scenes, Moses is lifting his heart and hands to the Lord. As he gets tired, his soldiers start losing the battle. For this reason, St. Peter urges us to “make every effort to supplement our faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge” (2 Peter 1:5). Jesus Christ further tells us if we are to survive the evils of this world, we ought to keep on praying. We need to continue acknowledging God as our Creator and Father, keep adoring and worshipping His Holy Name. Let us continue asking God for our daily needs and keep seeking reconciliation with Him and our neighbor. This is the sure path of winning our daily battles.

~ Fr. Caroli Shao, A.J.

Upcoming World Mission Sunday

Today, every parish across the globe joins together for the only worldwide collection mandated by Can Law — World Mission Sunday. Your generosity supports the Pope’s missions in more than 1, 124 territories where the Church is young or struggling. This year’s theme — “Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples” — is a call to embody the love of God, poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit (cf. Romans 5:5). Your offering provides hope where despair too often dominates — through the building of Churches, formation of seminarians and religious sisters, healthcare clinics, and Catholic schools. Thank you for responding with faith, love and generosity.

OCTOBER 12, 2025 OFFERTORY COLLECTION

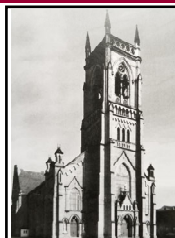
General Collection.....	\$1,369.00
Children.....	\$4.60
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Ecclesia Nostra.....	\$2,614.12
Food Pantry.....	\$50.00
General Donation.....	\$150.00
Utilities.....	\$70.00
Diocese: World Mission Sunday.....	\$100.00

Thank you all for your generosity!

MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES WEEK OF OCTOBER 19, 2025

Sun, Oct 19	Schola Practice (CR)	8:00am
Fri, Oct 24	Rehearsal (C).....	5:00pm
Sat, Oct 25	Wedding (C)	1:00pm

(C) Church • (CR) Club Room • (SFR) St Francis Room • (R) Rectory



The Tower Lights are being illuminated during the month of October
In Memory Of

† **Streeter Stephen Speakman**

October 14, 1946 — February 12, 2018

Please remember him in your prayers!

News from the Pews

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Emily Zietowski, who were united in the Holy Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, October 18, 2025!



CONDOLENCES TO...

Family and friends of **Norbert Hannibal**, former Pastor of St. Stephen, who died October 13, 2025.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held on **Monday, October 20th at 10am** at St. Basil Church, 8700 Brecksville Road. Interment will be at All Saints Cemetery. Friends may call at the Donald A. Faulhaber Funeral Home, 7915 Broadview Road (at Sprague) on **Sunday, October 19th from 3-7pm**. In charity, please pray for his soul.



Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

RCIA / OCIA

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) / **OCIA** (The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes for adults seeking Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation or adults seeking to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church who have already been validly baptized will begin on **Thursday, October 30, 2025**. RCIA/OCIA is a process of instruction to introduce persons seeking initiation into the Roman Catholic Church. We invite adults who wish to join the Catholic Faith to register by stopping by the parish office or calling 216-631-5633.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Do you have a child age 7 or above in need of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion? Please contact Diana Lipfird at 440-532-9491 or by email at dlipfird@gmail.com. Parents will need to fill out a registration form and provide a Certificate of Baptism.

CONFIRMATION

Do you have an 8th grade student or a child in need of Confirmation? Please contact Diana Lipfird at 440-532-9491 or email at dlipfird@gmail.com. Parents will need to fill out a registration form and provide a Certificate of Baptism.

CLASSES WILL BEGIN SOON!

The **St. Stephen Women's Group** will be meeting again on Wednesday, **October 22nd at 7 pm**. Join us as we continue our discussion on bringing loved ones back to the faith. Discussion will center upon the book "Return" by Brandon Vogt. There will be light refreshments, prayer and time to meet new friends of all ages. For more information, please contact Maureen at winkie453@gmail.com or by phone at 216-926-9442. We would love for you to join us!

Parish Community Advertisements

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